(5) New Post-paid and Pre-paid Alternative Tariff Plans; III.

Internet Broadband Schemes—

(1) Free trial offer of Broadband for limited period;

(2) Installation charges for Broadband waived off;

(3) Introduction of new Broadband alternative Tariff Ran;

(4) Free Internet for 15 hours per month as a promotional scheme to all CLI based Internet customers;

(5) Dial-up internet charges reduced;

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

Subscriber base of BSNL

2127. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cell phones operating under the BSNL all over the country;

(b) the figures thereof, State-wise;

(c) the targets for the year 2006-07;

(d) whether it is a fact that BSNL has not been able to streamline the commercial and service aspects of its mobile service; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEELAHMAD): (a) to (c) Sir, as on 28.2.2006, the number of cell phones operating under Mobile Services of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) was around 16 Million in the country. State-wise details of number of BSNL's cellular Mobile connections along with proposed targets for the year 2006-07 are given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

(d) No, Sir. BSNL has launched various schemes and plans for the customers to choose from. Commercial aspects of the mobile services are fully taken care of.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

Statement

Cellular Connections of BSNL as on 28th February and Targets for 2006-07

Sl. No.	State	Connections as 28th February 2006	MoU Target 2006-07 (Tentative)
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	25,965	10000
2.	Assam	336,824	160000
3.	Bihar	544,942	500000
4.	Jharkhand	324,733	200000
5.	North East (Meghalaya, Tripura, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Nagaland)	191,074	130000
6.	Orissa	524,522	300000
7.	West Bengal (including Sikkim)	1,041,113	550000
8.	Andhra Pradesh	1,118,355	600000
9.	Karnataka	1,194,488	650000
10.	Kerala	1,518,117	600000
11.	Tamil Nadu (including Pondicherry)	1,919,254	750000
12.	Gujarat	827,750	600000
13.	MP	304,580	300000
14.	Chhattisgarh	85,241	100000
15.	Maharashtra (including Goa)	1,056,053	700000
16.	Haryana	481,805	250000
17.	Himachal Pradesh	212,796	150000
18.	Jammu & Kashmir	461,294	300000
19.	Punjab	371,299	180000
20.	Rajasthan	1,018,085	570000
21.	Uttaranchal	272,296	150000
22.	Uttar Pradesh	2,230,320	1250000
	TOTAL:	16,060,906	9,000,000